

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	11153	Agenda Number	28.
Meeting Date:		December 15, 2011			
Department:		Purchasing			
Subject					
Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with LCRA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SERVICES, Austin, Texas, to provide priority and regulated pollutant analysis services for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$510,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$170,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,020,000.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding in the amount of \$141,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining twenty-six months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.					
Fiscal Note					
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid meeting specifications of four bids received.				
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer /974 2035				
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on December 14, 2011.				
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.				
Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					

This contract will provide priority and regulated pollutant analysis of environmental water quality samples for the Laboratory Services Division of the Austin Water Utility on an as needed basis. These services will provide quantitative analyses for the substances listed as priority and regulated pollutants in wastewater, wastewater sludges, soils, natural waters, industrial wastewater and drinking water samples. Analyses for samples may include organic and inorganic chemicals named in the priority pollutant list of the Clean Water Act, 40 CFR, Part 401 and regulated compounds in the Safe Drinking Water Act 40 DFR 141, including any revised and/or new regulations during the term of this contract. These analyses are required as part of the City's compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act mandates and applicable U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standards.

MBE/WBE solicited: 15/8

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**  
IFB No. SSC0143REBID  
PRIORITY AND REGULATED POLLUTANT ANALYSIS  
(18 Sample Items)

<b><u>VENDOR</u></b>	<b><u>FEE SCHEDULE % DISCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL DISCOUNT PRICE FOR 18 ITEMS</u></b>
<b>LCRA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b> Austin, Texas	25%	\$22,722.00
ANA-LAB CORPORATION Kilgore, Texas	*	
A&B ENVIRONMENTAL Houston, Texas	*	
XENCO LABORATORIES Stafford, Texas	*	

\*These bid submittals included variable discounts which the solicitation documents stated would not be acceptable.

A copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Two hundred twenty-five notices were sent, including 15 MBEs and eight WBEs. Four bids were received, with no response from the MBEs/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 25% discount increase from the last contract award December 2006. This discount can be attributed to lower list prices and a 25% discount on all tests performed.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid meeting specifications. LCRA Environmental Laboratory Services is not the current provider.

- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.